UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549



Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT 9102 RULE 13a-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of SEPTEMBER 2002

FIAT S.p.A.

Via Nizza 250 Torino, Italy 10126

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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Effective October 1st Ferruccio Luppi will be appointed Chief Financial Officer of the Fiat Group. Ferruccio Luppi will join Fiat from the Worms Group, where he is holding the position of General Manager.

Damien Clermont will assume the responsibility of the new Strategic Development Central Direction, which will become operational as of October 1st.

Turin, September 16, 2002

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: September 17, 2002

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